

REVISITS SCENE OF CRIME.

Thrilling Ghost Story Told by English Magazine.

This ghost story is contributed by a correspondent of an English magazine: "Wycollar hall, near Colne, was long the seat of the Cumliffes, of Billington. They were noted persons in their time, but evil days came, and their ancestral estates passed out of their hands. In the days of the commonwealth their loyalty cost them dear; and ultimately they retired to Wycollar with a remnant only of their once extensive property. About 1819 the last of the family passed away, and the hall is now a mass of ruins. Little but the antique fireplace remains entire, and even the room alluded to in the following legend cannot be identified. Tradition says that once every year a specter horseman visits Wycollar hall. He is attired in the costume of the early Stuart period, and the trappings of his horse are of a most uncouth description.

"On the evening of his visit the weather is always wild and tempestuous. There is no moon to light the lonely roads, and the residents of the district do not venture out of their cottages. When the wind howls loudest the horseman can be heard dashing up the road at full speed, and, after crossing the narrow bridge, he suddenly stops at the door of the hall. The rider then dismounts and makes his way up the broad oaken stairs into one of the rooms of the house. Dreadful screams, as from a woman, are then heard, which soon subside into groans. The horseman then makes his appearance at the door, at once mounts his steed, and gallops off by the road he came.

"His body can be seen through by those who may chance to be present; his horse appears to be wild with rage, and its nostrils stream with fire. The tradition is that one of the Cumliffes murdered his wife in that room, and that the specter horseman is the ghost of the murderer, who is doomed to pay an annual visit to the home of his victim. She is said to have predicted the extinction of the family, which, according to the story, has been literally fulfilled."

The Fringe of Art.

Elihu Vedder, the noted painter, lives in Rome, where he has a beautiful apartment, and in Capri, where his white villa looks down on the sea. "Elihu Vedder," said a New York illustrator the other day, "is as Bohemian as ever. Fame has not spoiled him. I visited him last year, and his Bohemian ways were delightful.

"You know they tell a story of a visit that he once paid to Alma Tadema in London, to Alma Tadema in that glittering house which Mrs. A. T.'s money, made in grateful, comforting cocoa, bought.

"The morning after his arrival, very early, before even the servants were up, Vedder began a thunderous knocking on his host's sandalwood door.

"Alma Tadema turned in his gold bed, threw back the lace coverlet, sat up.

"Who's there? What is it?" he cried in a startled voice. "I say, Tadema," shouted Vedder, "where do you keep the scissors that you trim your cuffs with?"

Toothblacks.

"As we have toothblacks so they've got toothblacks in the Sunda Islands," said a traveling man.

"What is a toothblack?"

"Don't you know? A toothblack is an old woman with a pot of black paint, a gold leaf book, and a lot of vegetable brushes. From hut to hut she passes, and for a small fee—a yam, a bunch of bananas, three coconuts—she paints the Sunda islander's teeth a glistening black. All but the two front teeth; these she kills. And the Sunda islander thereafter goes about with a self-conscious smile revealing a truly knock-me-down dental display, a black and gold symphony.

"It is a common trick among the semi-civilized to color the teeth. In Macassar dark brown is the popular hue, and in Japan among the unenlightened classes, the teeth of wives are always painted black.

"In such countries the toothblack is an institution. She goes from house to house, as full of gossip as a barber."

The Dogsmith.

"The dogsmith will soon be busy in Alaska," said a miner of the Yukon. "He'll have his work cut out for him, too. The winter promises to be very severe.

"The dogsmith," the miner went on, "shoes, of course, dogs, or he wouldn't have such a name. The sledge dogs of Alaska have day by day run over miles of rough ice that is as hard on the feet as broken glass, and hence were they not shod they would soon grow so incurably lame that they'd have to be killed.

"Yes, there is a need for the dogsmith up there. He shoes the dogs very neatly in a shoe made of wadding and leather."

Buttons for the Offortory.

A Sussex vicar complains that buttons find their way into his collecting-bags. Prebendary Carlie, of the Church Army, supplies buttons at St. Mary-at-Hill for that very purpose. "My poor people," he says, "with hardly a rag to wear and nothing to eat, haven't even a button to spare, yet pride keeps them out if they cannot give to the offertory. So we go round the streets with our buttons before service and a friend of the Church Army redeems them at so much a dozen."—London Standard.

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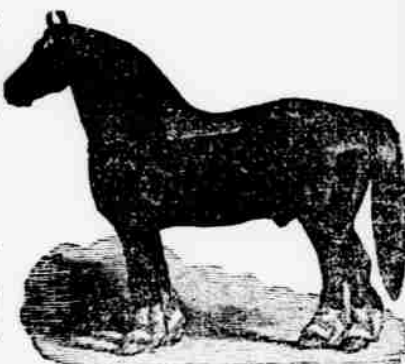
The Fine Percheron Stallion.

NO. 66502 (42245.)

DESCRIPTION: Armagnac is a large Black Percheron stallion, foaled May 12, 1905; 17 hands high; weighs in ordinary flesh, 2,000 pounds; has extra heavy bone, fine style and action. Is one of the finest and largest horses in the State.

JUMBO, 1422.

DESCRIPTION: Jumbo is a large Percheron stallion, foaled May 15, 1900, is 16½ hands high, weighs about 1,800 pounds in ordinary flesh; is heavy boned and well formed; splendid style and action, and a No. 1 breeder.



VINCENT.

DESCRIPTION: Vincent was foaled April 17, 1900; is black in color; 16 hands high and weighs 1,200 pounds; has good bone and speed. Vincent was sired by Vince; he by Invincible, Standard Bred; record 2:13; owned by M. L. Wilcox, Concordia, Kas. Vincent's first dam was Scott's Hamilton; second dam, Jenny Lind. Took three first prizes in show ring.

LUCKEY CHARLEY.

700 Vol. 11, A. C. B. S. B.

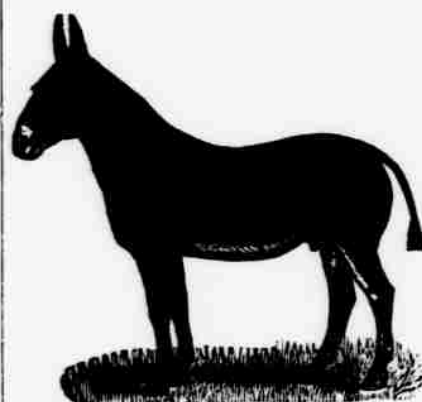
DESCRIPTION: Luckey Charley is certainly one of the best horses seen out. He is admired by everyone for his fine style, easy, graceful action and smooth build; he stands full 16½ hands and weighs 1,400 pounds. His color is the richest of deep Bays, with clean, flat cordy, black legs and good feet; his shoulders, back, head and neck are all the most critical could desire. Call at barn for pedigree.

SUNLIGHT.

Sunlight is an Iron Grey Jack, three years old, stands 15 hands, with extra large head and ears, and has proved to be a No. 1 breeder.

BLACK HAWK.

Register No. 809.



DESCRIPTION: Black Hawk, light points, foaled spring of 1899; 16 hands high, weighs over 1,000 pounds. He is very heavy bodied, good breeder, very wide in rump, good head and ears, good style and action, heavy boned, very large feet, stands well and has proved himself to be a good breeder. Pedigrees of these animals can be seen at my barn.

TERMS: The above horses and Jack will make the season of 1908 at my barn, 5½¢ per season, 10¢ per mare, on the State road, and 2¢ per season of the 1st and 2nd roads, and 1¢ per season of the 3rd and 4th roads, excepting the service of Armagnac, for which will be charged \$20 to insure a mare. When mares are mated with these horses from north and south, money for service becomes due at once. A lien on mare and foal will be held for insurance money. Care will be taken to prevent accidents, but will not be responsible should any occur. Both Phones.

ALFRED BAHLER.

Notice of Annual Election.

Notice is hereby given that an election will be held on the 25th day of July, A. D. 1908, from 2 o'clock p. m. to 5 o'clock p. m., of said day, at the lower tenant house of Wm. M. and A. H. Morris in N. W. ¼, Sec. 23, Twp. (6) R. (37), in Holt Co., Missouri, and in the limits of the district, for the purpose of electing two (2) Supervisors of the Nodaway Drainage District, No. one, one to succeed the outgoing Supervisor, C. W. Lukens, for a term of five (5) years, and until his successor is duly elected and qualified, and one to fill out the unexpired term of E. L. Floyd, for a term of one (1) year and until his successor is duly elected and qualified.

Done by order of Board of Supervisors, this 24th day of June, A. D. 1908.

J. W. PATTERSON, President.

C. W. LUKENS, Secretary of Board of Supervisors of Nodaway Drainage District No. 1.

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